

Sir

I have inclosed and committed to ^{your} care Commissions for the several Gentlemen in your County who I have thought proper appoint Officers of the Regiment now raising from ^{the} Militia of this State. to serve in the Army of the United States. I must therefore beg the favour of you to forward the Commissions ~~to~~ to those Gentlemen with safety and dispatch, when ~~ever~~ you have an opportunity be pleased to present them with my compliments and inform them, that, from their reputed Patriotism, I am have the fullest confidence, not only, that they will accept the appointments, but will immediately set about the discharge the duties enjoined them so as to do Honor to themselves and answer the expectations of the public - ~~Be pleased~~ I wish Col^l. Hill to order the Men up ~~this~~ to this place as soon as possible, by Tuesday or Wednesday next at farthest - I am told that a Major Trufsum in your County, would make a good adjutant, if you can contrive him word he may have an appointment on application. - I would wish to know immediately whether Lieut^{col}. Hill is willing to go out Surgeon to the Regiment. - I am Sir Your Most

Obed^t & Hum^l Servant
Ben^l Rodney

Am^l John Clowse

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